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A Royal Feast.

Poor printers generally live on chips and whetstones unless they have "pie" of their own making and that makes things blue, not rose. But for a change last Wednesday night the force at the DEMOCRAT office were in a big streak of luck. To the staff of life, Mrs. O. Harry Parks added the fancy part by sending in one of the lightest and most delicious luncheons that had ever seen the inside of a printing office. It was substantial and yet like a pleasant dream. We now know what kind of a supper she prepares as a surprise for Harry and his friends. We cannot ask for many happy returns but we will remember her kindly.

Mrs. Martha Tucker, wife of the late B. H. H. Tucker, died in Hannibal, Mo., on Thursday April 13th 1899. She was born Nov. 29, 1822, making her therefore in seventy eighth year. The deceased was well known in this community, having resided here continuously since 1865, until three years ago. She was one of the charter members of the Methodist Church in this place and was still a member, having never removed her membership until transferred to the church above. The funeral service was conducted by O. B. Holliday on Friday, at the Methodist Church, after which the remains were interred in St. Jude's cemetery. Peace to her memory.

Will Rubison who moved from this city to Quincy some two weeks since, we are sorry to learn has met with a severe accident. He is working for the Street Car Company and while performing his duties a sixty foot steel rail fell and broke his left arm.

BUSINESS.

When a man wants to deposit money, buy bank stock or do business with a banking institution he generally looks around and selects one that is on a solid foundation. The Farmers and Merchants bank statement in this issue of the DEMOCRAT proves it to be on a firm foundation therefore a good institution to do business with.

Mrs. Woodford Bannister died at her home at 2 a. m. Tuesday morning and the remains were interred at the family burying ground at 9 a. m. yesterday. Mrs. Bannister had been for many years a consistent member of the Presbyterian Church. She leaves a large family and a host of friends to mourn her departure.

Mesdames J. M. Proctor and J. S. Scott and Miss Virgie Bristow left yesterday for Hannibal where they are attending the State Meeting of the Ladies Missionary Societies as delegates from the Monroe City Baptist Church. Mesdames W. H. Jones and Sarah Christian are also in attendance as delegates from the Warren church.

The annual reception and book social of the P. E. O's. will be given at the home of Mrs. B. G. Moss at 8 p. m. Tuesday April 25th.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT of the Financial Condition of the Farmers & Merchants

BANK, of Monroe City,
at Monroe City.

State of Missouri, at the close of business on the 5th day of April 1899.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts undoubtedly good on personal or collateral security	\$91,564.05
Loans and discounts undoubtedly good on real estate security	7,535.00
Overdrafts by solvent customers	1,704.28
United States bonds on hand	.00
Other bonds and stocks at their present cash market price	.00
Real Estate (banking house) at present cash market value	3,000.00
Real estate other than banking house at its present cash market value	.00
Furniture and fixtures	1,000.00
Due from other banks, good on sight draft	5,895.69
Checks and other cash items	778.80
National bank notes, legal tender United States notes and gold and silver certificates	3,600.00
Gold coin	1,400.00
Silver coin, includ. pennies	496.14
All other resources	.00
Total	116,971.97

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	\$25,000.00
Surplus funds on hand	.00
Undivided profits less current expenses and taxes paid	6,087.71
Deposits subject to draft at sight by banks and bankers	3.63
Deposits subject to draft at sight by individuals and others	82,692.63
Deposits subject to draft at given dates	3,000.00
Bills payable and bills rediscounted	.00
Dividends unpaid	188.00
Liabilities other than those above stated	.00
Total	116,971.97

STATE OF MISSOURI,)
COUNTY OF MONROE,) ss

We, Samuel North, President, and W. R. P. Jackson, Cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

SAMUEL NORTH, President.
W. R. P. JACKSON, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 13th day of Dec, A. D., 1899.

Witness my hand and notarial seal the date last aforesaid. (Commissioned and qualified for a term expiring 22d Dec, 1900.)

CHAS. O. MAYES,
(Seal) Notary Public.

Corrected by W. E. JONES,
H. W. ELY,
Attest R. A. JACKSON, Dir'trs.

Pumped Out

William Johnson (col.) filled up on tangle foot Saturday and went on a high lonesome all by himself. It did not take him long to get past navigating and to fall in the street as limber as a rag. He was dead to the world and the marshal had to procure a dray to take him to the City Hotel where he was locked up. About an hour afterward for fear he would die in the stupor, Dr. Ely was sent for and he applied the pump and cleaned him out. Monday, Saddle colored Billy was not much the worse for wear, so was given twenty-five days at the work house.

Dissolution Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the co-partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned has been dissolved by mutual consent.

C. P. FOWLER,
J. R. CARRICO.

Jefferson City Jottings.

Col. W. J. Bryan talked pure Democracy in this city on Tuesday of last week. He addressed fully 5,000 people in front of the capitol building. The crowd was an enthusiastic one and when Col. Bryan closed his two hour speech there were calls for him to talk longer. Col. Bryan is the ablest champion of the peoples rights in America and the people greatly desire to honor him. When he is president the government will be a government of, for and by the people. In the evening Gov. and Mrs. Stephens gave a reception at the Mansion in honor of America's great commander who had a pleasant word and smile for each of the large crowd that attended the reception and was presented to Col. Bryan. To-day Col. Bryan is nearer the hearts of the people than he was in 1896. Those who say Bryan and silver are dead would have thought both quite lively corpse had they been in this city on April 11th. He told of the dangers confronting the American people, was enthusiastically cheered when he spoke on free silver as he was throughout his great speech. Bryan is a man of and for the people and is feared by the trusts, consequently, all trust organs are doing what they can to defeat his nomination for the presidency.

The Republicans of the House desired to make a large appropriation for the state militia. This is but carrying out the idea of the Republican party which is for a stronger government than a republic. It comes down from Alexander Hamilton and would have every citizen carrying a soldier on his back.

The House bill providing for the establishment of a State fair has passed the Senate.

A bill to regulate the rate charged by express companies has passed the House. The bill fixes the schedule and it is less than express companies charge when they feel liberal to say nothing of the exorbitant rate they sometimes charge.

It is quite likely that to the people will be submitted the question of amending the constitution so as to permit Missouri to appropriate not exceeding \$1,000,000.00 for the exhibition of the resources, products and industries of the State in the Louisiana Centennial at St. Louis in 1902. A display such as could be made with that amount of money would be worth much more than its cost to the people of our Imperial Missouri.

Many bills in the interest of the people have been passed by the 40th General Assembly.

The Revision Committee has been hard at work and the work of revision is creditable to the members of the committee. Several Revised bills have been introduced and the statutes will be carefully revised.

Representative Ellis, of Vernon county, died Sunday. This is three members who have died since the legislature convened.

A bill providing that on all inheritances other than direct descendants be put a tax of 5 per cent for the State University has passed both House and Senate.

If the 40th General Assembly does not give the people an excellent revision of the Statutes and good revenue laws the obstructionists will deserve the blame and not the grand old Democrat party.

The fellows who are howling loudest about the work of this legislature are the very fellows who are doing most to retard the work. This is being done to try to slip some Republicans into office. Should they succeed in so doing the people will soon find out who are their friends when the reins of government pass from Democrats to Republicans and will at the earliest possible moment return to Democracy.

The bill to prohibit school directors from employing as teachers any relative nearer than second cousin has gone to engrossment in the House. It should become a law.

The Missouri legislature is for capital to pay its just and equitable share of the taxes. Perhaps this accounts for much of the unjust criticism by the metropolitan press on this legislative body as it is evident to the people that the great dailies stand by the interests of the capitalists on every occasion.

A cartoon caused the Organ of the House to get out of tune Friday afternoon. Representative Organ introduced a resolution to chop off the heads of several House clerks, a clever cartoonist represents Mr. Organ as running several clerks through a narrow chute where their heads were being chopped off and also as stabbing a woman in the back. Mr. Organ saw a clerk with the cartoon and for a time there was a warm time and then became blue.

C. E. Tucker, L. C. Tacker, Geo. W. Tucker and family, of Moberly, B. F. Tucker, of Quincy, Mrs. Thos. Courtney and son, Frank, of near Emden, and J. M. Caplinger and family, of Hannibal attended the funeral of their mother, Mrs. Martha Tacker, in this city Friday.

The New Church.

The Building Committee of the Baptist church met Saturday and decided to accept plans and specifications, by architect S. A. Bullord of Springfield, Ill. It will be a modern, up-to-date house of worship. The main auditorium will be 48x46 feet, three Sunday School rooms, slate roof, wall and ceiling frescoed. The house completed will cost \$9,000 and have a seating capacity of 500. Work on the structure will begin immediately.

After residing 25 years in the city, A. Grimm has traded his residence to S. A. Wood for a 65 acre tract of land one mile east of the city in Ralls county. He will build on it and move his family there but remain in business here.

ON AGAIN-APRIL 30TH.

Tell The Truth.

The truth about the State finances is easily learned, but it seems that Republican leaders and radical newspapers do not care to learn or tell it.

No money can be paid out from the State Treasury until it has been duly appropriated by the General Assembly. It can then only be paid from the particular fund from which the appropriation is made. There may be—as there is at present—two million dollars in the State Treasury and yet, if there happens to be a temporary shortage in some special fund, warrants against that fund can not legally be paid, until that fund is replenished. This does not imply the least misappropriation or extravagance. Indeed, it means exactly the opposite.

Another point regarding the revenues and expenses of the State should not be overlooked. Under the constitution when the valuation of the property in Missouri reached \$900,000,000, the tax rate was reduced from 20 to 15 cents on the \$100 valuation. This reduction in the rate of course decreased the revenue. While this was true, at the same time by legislative enactment the amount appropriated to public schools was increased from one-fourth to one-third of the revenue—a total of \$150,000. Then the State maintains three insane asylums, two reforms schools, two soldiers' home and other institutions, which were not in existence ten or fifteen years ago. Moreover, with the growth of the State other expenses of government necessarily increase. All these facts should be borne in mind. They demonstrate the truth that there has been neither dishonesty, extravagance or maladministration. They prove conclusively that while revenue measures must be enacted by the State Legislature, it is not because of Democratic inefficiency but the very contrary.

Is it too much to expect that the Democratic press of the State will tell the whole truth about this matter? Only in this way can Missouri's good name be protected against political foes, who would, for partisan ends, attempt to befoul their own home.—State Tribune.

Birth Day.

Monday was Peter Werner's thirty-sixth natal day and his wife prepared a surprise and pleasant evening for him as a reminder of that notable event. About fifteen couple of his friends were let into the secret and assisted in the celebration. The friends gathered at his home at the twilight hour while he was up town. They brought with them a handsome rocker as a souvenir of the occasion. The evening was spent pleasantly by all and an elegant collation was not forgotten by the hostess.

Misses Byrd Robinet and Catherine Chamblin, of Higginsville, are the guest of their friend and schoolmate, Miss Ella Mudd. They will remain with her several weeks.